

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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CRITERIA OF MINIMUM MARKS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government will lower the criteria of minimum 60% marks for appearing in AIEEE and other admission tests for engineering courses;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (c): At present, the minimum academic qualification for appearing in All India Engineering Entrance Examination (AIEEE) – 2012 is that the candidate must have passed in final examination of 10+2 (Class XII) or its equivalent examination in 2010 and 2011. Those appearing in 10+2 (Class XII), final or equivalent examination in 2012 may also appear in AIEEE – 2012 provisionally. However, for admissions to IITs, the criteria for minimum marks for appearing in IIT-Joint Entrance Examination is 60% at 10+2 (Class-XII) for General and OBC candidates and is 55% for SC/ST candidates. At present, there is no proposal in the Ministry for lowering the criteria for minimum marks for appearing in IIT-Joint Entrance Examination.